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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Thomas SPRECHT et al.

Examiner: C. Wilder

Serial No.: 09/646,569

Group Art Unit: 1637

Filed: September 20, 2000

Title: HUMAN NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES FROM NORMAL BREAST TISSUE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 13, 2004, applicants hereby elect Group I, with traverse, pursuant to the restriction requirement and elect the species of the nucleic acid having Sequence ID No. 60.

The Examiner has not established that an undue searching burden would be involved in examining the full scope of the unitary subject matter of the claims of this application. Hence, it is requested that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn.

No fee is believed to be due with this response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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